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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Tamotsu FUJII et al.

Appln. No.: 10/724,686

Group Art Unit: 3683

Filed: December 2, 2003

Examiner: R. Siconolfi

For: DOUBLE-WRAP BRAKE BAND ASSEMBLY

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RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents
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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

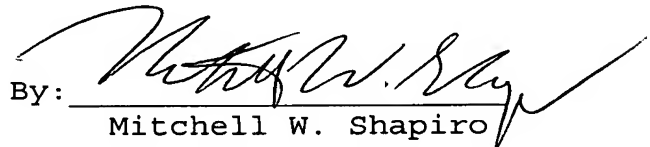
Sir:

Responding to the Office Action mailed February 25, 2005, and to the requirement for election of species therein, Applicants elect Species A (Figure 1) for prosecution on the merits. The undersigned is advised that Claims 1-6 are readable on the elected species. Applicants reserve the right to file one or more divisional applications for the non-elected species.

An action on the merits is respectfully requested.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge to Deposit Account No. 50-1165 any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 and 1.17 which may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment to that Account. If any extension of time is required in connection with the filing of this paper and has not been requested separately, then such extension is hereby requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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